

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR
 OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE CARRIER**

CLASS C - NON-EMERGENCY

Date: 11 June 21

Application is hereby made for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, in accordance with the provisions of S.C. Code Ann., § 58-23-10, et seq. (1976), and amendments thereto.

1. Empowerment Express Shuttle NEMT Service LLC
 Name under which business is to be conducted (corporation, partnership, or sole proprietorship, with or without trade name.)

233 Alexander Pointe Dr.

Street Address of Applicant

Hopkins, SC 29061

Mailing Address of Applicant (if different from street address)

803-413-5360

Phone

myExpress2@gmail.com

Email Address

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2. If the Applicant is an LLC or a corporation, a copy of the Certificate of Existence from the South Carolina Secretary of State and the Articles of Incorporation must be attached. (If incorporated outside of SC, attach South Carolina Secretary of State "Foreign Corporation" Certificate.)

3. Select Entity Type: (Check one)

☒ Individual Owner/Sole Proprietorship

☐ Partnership - List names and address of all person having an interest in the business.

☐ Corporation - List names and addresses of two principal officers.

Applicant is financially able to furnish the services as specified in this application and submits the following statement of assets and liabilities.

Financial Statement

Applicant's assets and liabilities are as follows:

<u>Assets:</u>		<u>Liabilities:</u>	
Value of Real Estate		Mortgage/Loan on Real Estate	
Value of Motor Vehicles		Loans Owed on Motor Vehicles	19,000.
Cash on Hand	700.00	Business/Other Loans Owed	
Cash in Bank	2,150.00	Other Liabilities or Debts	
Value of Other Assets and Equipment	1,000 Computer 300 Printer 800 Business phone	Total Liabilities	19,000
Total Assets	4,950		

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. "Value of Real Estate" means the actual or estimated market value of any real property/buildings owned by the Company/Business Applying for a Certificate.
2. "Mortgage/Loan on Real Estate" means the outstanding balance on any Mortgage, Equity Line or other Loan secured by the Real Estate listed in Item 1.
3. "Value of Motor Vehicles" means the actual or fair estimated value of any moving vans, trucks or other vehicles owned by the Company/Business Applying for a Certificate.
4. "Loans Owed on Motor Vehicles" means the outstanding balance on any loans or liens on the vehicles listed in Item 3.
5. "Cash on Hand" is the total of actual cash held by the Company/Business applying for a Certificate on the day this form is filled out.
6. "Business/Other Loans Owed" means the outstanding balance on any small business loan or other unsecured loan made by a person, bank or business to the Business/Company applying for a Certificate.
7. "Cash in Bank" means the current balance in checking accounts, savings accounts or the like in the name of the Company/Business applying for a Certificate. Do not include retirement accounts or personal bank account balances.
8. "Value of Other Assets and Equipment" should include the actual or estimated value of items such as office equipment (computers/furnishings), moving equipment (hand trucks/blankets/strapping), and trailers.
9. "Other Liabilities or Debts" means specific amounts/balances which the Company/Business applying for a Certificate knows that it owes to other persons or companies, for example Franchise Fees. This does NOT include regular bills such as electricity bills, security system costs, insurance, salaries, etc.

PROPOSED RATES AND CHARGES FOR SERVICE**Proposed Rates and Charges:**

\$ 2.25 per mile

Requested Scope of Authority: Check all counties in which you are requesting permission to operate.
 You will only be allowed to operate in those counties checked below. You may request "Statewide" authority if you intend to operate in all counties in South Carolina.

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abbeville | <input type="checkbox"/> Cherokee | <input type="checkbox"/> Florence | <input type="checkbox"/> Lee | <input type="checkbox"/> Saluda |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aiken | <input type="checkbox"/> Chester | <input type="checkbox"/> Georgetown | <input type="checkbox"/> Lexington | <input type="checkbox"/> Spartanburg |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allendale | <input type="checkbox"/> Chesterfield | <input type="checkbox"/> Greenville | <input type="checkbox"/> Marion | <input type="checkbox"/> Sumter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anderson | <input type="checkbox"/> Clarendon | <input type="checkbox"/> Greenwood | <input type="checkbox"/> Marlboro | <input type="checkbox"/> Union |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bamberg | <input type="checkbox"/> Colleton | <input type="checkbox"/> Hampton | <input type="checkbox"/> McCormick | <input type="checkbox"/> Williamsburg |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barnwell | <input type="checkbox"/> Darlington | <input type="checkbox"/> Horry | <input type="checkbox"/> Newberry | <input type="checkbox"/> York |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beaufort | <input type="checkbox"/> Dillon | <input type="checkbox"/> Jasper | <input type="checkbox"/> Oconee | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Berkeley | <input type="checkbox"/> Dorchester | <input type="checkbox"/> Kershaw | <input type="checkbox"/> Orangeburg | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Statewide</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Calhoun | <input type="checkbox"/> Edgefield | <input type="checkbox"/> Lancaster | <input type="checkbox"/> Pickens | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charleston | <input type="checkbox"/> Fairfield | <input type="checkbox"/> Laurens | <input type="checkbox"/> Richland | |

DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT

You are not required to own a vehicle to file an application. However, prior to being issued a certificate by ORS, you will be required to have obtained a vehicle.

Maximum Number of Passengers Vehicle is Equipped to Carry: (The number of passengers a vehicle is equipped to carry is based on the number of **seatbelts** in the vehicle, including the driver's seatbelt.)

- ☒ 1-7 Passengers, including driver
- ☐ 8-15 Passengers, including driver

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INSURANCE QUOTE**This form MUST BE COMPLETED.**

The insurance quote must be complete, listing current insurance premiums. At the discretion of the Commission, a copy of current insurance policies may be required. Do not provide a copy of insurance policies unless requested. You will not be required to purchase insurance until your application has been approved and an order has been issued by the PSC. **THIS IS ONLY A QUOTE.**

The following insurance quote is for:

Charlotte Sims

Name of Applicant

233 Alexander Pointe Dr Hopkins, SC 29061

Address of Applicant

Amount of Premium:Liability Insurance \$ 10,000+The above quoted premium is for a term of 12 months.

Minimum Limits - Bodily injury and property damage limits will not be less than the following:

Limits Quoted

Liability Combined Each Occurance	\$ 1,000,000	<u>1,000,000</u>
Medical Payments per Person	\$ 1,000	<u>1,000,000</u>

Hospitality Insurance Agency, LLC

Name of Insurance Company

2813-A West Palmetto St Florence SC 29501

Home Office Address of Company

I, the Applicant, am familiar with the Commission's Rules and Regulations relating to insurance requirements and the above quote meets the minimum insurance limits prescribed. The insurance company making this quote is authorized by the South Carolina Department of Insurance to do business in South Carolina.

NOTICE:

If you wish to self-insure your motor vehicles for liability and property damage, you must comply with S.C. Code Ann. Sections 56-9-60 and 58-23-910. For more information, contact the Department of Motor Vehicles at (803) 896-8457 or (803) 896-9903.

If you wish to apply as a self-insured for worker's compensation coverage in South Carolina you may do so with the South Carolina Worker's Compensation Commission (WCC) provided that you will be able to: 1) post a surety bond or letter-of-credit with the WCC for a minimum of \$500,000, 2) agree to pay a yearly self-insurance tax, and 3) agree to pay an annual assessment to the South Carolina Second Injury Fund. For more information, contact the WCC Self-Insurance Division at (803) 737-5712 or on the web at www.wcc.state.sc.us/self-insurance.

Exhibit Fit, Willing, and Able (FWA)

Charlotte Sims

Name

1. Is there currently any outstanding judgments against the Applicant?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, list judgements here:

2. Is Applicant familiar with all statutes and regulations, including safety regulations and governing for-hire motor carrier operations in South South Carolina, and does Applicant agree to operate in compliance with these statutes and regulations?

☒ Yes

☐ No

3. Is Applicant aware of the Commission's insurance requirements and the insurance premium costs associated therewith?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Exhibit on Driver Qualifications

1. Applicant understands that drivers must possess at least a current American Red Cross Standard First Aid and CPR Certificate or its equivalent, and records that verify/record such training must be kept on file at the company's primary place of business within South Carolina.

☒ Yes☐ No

2. Applicant understands that drivers must be in compliance with all OSHA regulations.

☒ Yes☐ No

3. Applicant understands that drivers must be trained in the use of all vehicle installed safety equipment such as two-way radios, first-aid kits, fire extinguishers, and other equipment as outlined in PSC Regulations.

☒ Yes☐ No

4. Applicant understands that drivers must be able to physically perform actions necessary to assist persons with disabilities, including wheelchair users.

☒ Yes☐ No

5. Applicant understands that drivers must wear a professional uniform and photo identification badge that easily identifies the driver and the company for whom the driver works.

☒ Yes☐ No

6. Applicant understands that drivers must complete twelve (12) hours of in-service training annually in the area of safety, and records that verify/record such training must be kept on file at the company's primary place of business within South Carolina.

☒ Yes☐ No

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Applicant is familiar with the provision of S.C. Code Ann. §58-23-10, et seq.(1976), and amendments thereto, and R.103-100 through R.103-241 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers (S.C. Code Ann. Regs., 1976), and R.38-400 through R.38-503 of the Department of Public Safety's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers (Volume 2, S.C. Code Ann., 1976) and amendments thereto, and hereby promises compliance therewith.

S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-3-250 states, in part, that every final order of the Commission must be served by electronic service, registered or certified mail, upon the parties to the proceeding or their attorneys.

Please check the applicable box:

- ☒ The Applicant AGREES to receive future Commission orders related to the Applicant's authority in South Carolina through the Commission's eService System. The Applicant authorizes the Commission to serve its orders by using the e-mail address as it appears on page one of this Application. To sign up for eService notifications, please visit www.psc.sc.gov to create a My DMS account.
- ☐ The Applicant DOES NOT AGREE to receive future Commission orders related to the Applicant's authority in South Carolina through the Commission's eService System.

The Applicant for the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity as set forth in the foregoing, swear or affirm that all statements contained in the above application are true and correct.



Applicant's Signature



Title of Applicant (e.g. President, Owner, etc.)

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF Richland)

SWORN TO BEFORE ME

This 11th day of June, 2021



Notary Public

MICHELLE MESSNER
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES

Commission Expires

9-18-28

Print Application

The State of South Carolina



Office of Secretary of State Mark Hammond

Certificate of Existence

I, Mark Hammond, Secretary of State of South Carolina Hereby Certify that:

Empowerment Express Shuttle NEMT Service LLC, a limited liability company duly organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina on June 10th, 2021, with a duration that is at will, has as of this date filed all reports due this office, paid all fees, taxes and penalties owed to the State, that the Secretary of State has not mailed notice to the company that it is subject to being dissolved by administrative action pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §33-44-809, and that the company has not filed articles of termination as of the date hereof.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal
of the State of South Carolina this 10th day
of June, 2021.


Mark Hammond, Secretary of State



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06/14/2021

To whom this concerns please see attached ESTIMATE QUOTE for the Public Service Commission Application. If you have any questions please give us a call at 843-407-5082

Thank you ,

Hospitality Insurance Agency, LLC

The UPS Store

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Columbia, SC, 29209

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